

Listing of Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Previously presented) A method for treating cystic fibrosis, said method comprising the step of administering a therapeutically effective amount of a composition comprising an S-nitrosothiol to a patient having cystic fibrosis, wherein the composition is formulated as a powder or an aerosol and administered to the nasal mucosa and osteomeatal complex.

2-8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) A method for treating cystic fibrosis, said method comprising the step of administering a composition comprising ethyl nitrite to a patient having cystic fibrosis in an amount effective to lessen accumulation of mucus, bronchoconstriction and bacterial growth in the ~~CF airway~~airway of said patient or an amount, given acutely, to ameliorate an exacerbation of bronchoconstriction, mucus plugging and/or bacterial bronchitis/bronchiolitis, ~~as acute therapy~~, where the composition is formulated as an aerosol and administered to the nasal mucosa and osteomeatal complex.

Amendments to the Claims

Please replace the paragraph that was added by way of amendment filed January 10, 2005 with the following paragraph:

The application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 10/380,763 filed ~~October 15, 2001~~March 24, 2003, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,723,703, which in turn is a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371 of PCT/US01/27768, filed October 15, 2001, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/240,708, filed October 16, 2000, which is incorporated herein by reference. PCT/US01/27768 was published in English as WO 02/342418 on April 25, 2002.